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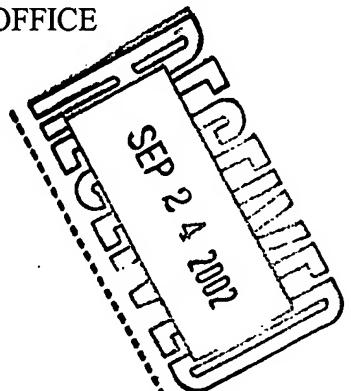
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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the documents so listed are enclosed.

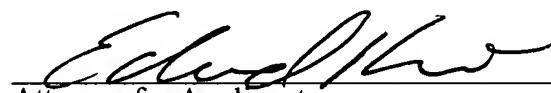
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An English-language abstract for the forgoing Japanese document has been located and is enclosed for the Examiner's consideration. It is noted that the document Japan 11-8823 is discussed in the specification of the subject application and may be deemed pertinent for the reasons set forth therein. The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English document is believed to be satisfied by both the description provided in the specification and the English-language abstract. See MPEP § 609.

Inasmuch as this application has not yet received a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed form to Applicants with the next communication.

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